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SUBJECT: POL SITUATION IN WESTERN ZAIRE - RELIEF ON THE ONE
HAND BUT NOT ON THE OTHER

REF: KINSHASA 1998

1. MOBIL REP DUBRULE INFORMS US THAT PETROLEUM PRODUCT SHORT-
AGE IN KINSHASA AND WESTERN REGIONS OF ZAIRE, THREATENED PARA
2. REFTEL, HAS BEEN AVERTED BY DIVERTING WEST AFRICAN REPLENISH-
MENT PROGRAM (WARP) SHIP TO MATADI. WARP IS COOPERATIVE
ARRANGEMENT BY SERVAL WESTERN OIL COMPANIES WHICH NORMALLY
SUPPLIES THE NUMERIOUS SMALL VOLUME PETROLEUM CONSUMING
COUNTRIES NORTH AND WEST OF ERE ALONG THE WEST AFRICAN
COAST.

2. AT THE SAME TIME, NO RELIEF HAS YET BEEN FOUND FOR SUPPLY-
ING CRUDE TO MATADI REFINERY (PARA 4 REFTEL) IN SHORT RUN.
THUS DUBRULE ESTIMATES REFINERY WILL CLOSE ABOUT MARCH 22
OR 23. AS REFINERY PROVIDES ABOUT 60 PER CENT OF WESTERN
ZAIRE'S NEEDS FOR PRODUCTS, ANY SIGNIFICANT DURATION TO SHUT-
DOWN WOULD ONCE AGAIN ENTAIL CERTAINTY OF ECONOMIC HARDSHIPS
ON LOCAL POPULATION AND RENEWED POSSIBILITY OF POLITICAL

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